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SUBJECT: CYPRUS: UN SECURITY COUNCIL DEBATE AND NICOSIA TALKS

REF: (A) STATE 103431, (B) STATE 106098, (C) NICOSIA 1276

1. WE DEFERRED MAKING DEMARCHE ON UNSC AND CYPRUS TALKS (REFTELS) BECAUSE MFA OFFICIALS OF APPROPRIATE LEVEL HAVE BEEN AWAY AT INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS FOR LAST SEVERAL DAYS. HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF TIMING PROBLEM NOTED IN REF C, WE CALLED ON CYPRUS-GREEK ASSISTANT DIRECTOR INAL BATU MAY 13.

2. UNSC DEBATE: AFTER LISTENING TO OUR PRESENTATION OF FOUR POINTS LISTED IN REF A, BATU SAID THAT THIS EFFORT BY USG WAS "MOST WELCOME," ADDING: "IF YOU HAD NOT MADE THIS KIND OF APPROACH, WE WOULD HAVE CALLED YOU IN TO ASK  
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THAT THE US PRESENT EXACTLY THESE VIEWS TO THE OTHER PARTIES." THE GOT WAS COMPLETELY IN ACCORD ON ALL FOUR POINTS, HE SAID.

3. NICOSIA TALKS: WE EXPRESSED TO BATU THE USG'S HOPE THAT MORE THAN TWO MEETINGS OF THE NICOSIA TALKS COULD BE HELD BEFORE THE JUNE MEETING OF THE UNSC, AS WELL AS THE HOPE

THAT THE TURKISH-CYPRIOTS COULD BE MORE FORTHCOMING IN THE DISCUSSIONS OF TERRITORIAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL ASPECTS. BATU WENT TO SOME LENGTH TO DESCRIBE THE TURKISH-CYPRIOTS DIFFICULTIES WITH THE PLAYING OF A ROLE THAT WAS MORE THAN SIMPLY CAUTIOUSLY REACTING TO GREEK-CYPRIOT PORPOSALS. HE NOTED IN PARTICULAR THE IMPORTANCE OF THE UPCOMING TURKISH ELECTIONS. HE POINTED OUT ALSO THAT DENKTASH WAS EXTREMELY RESENTFUL OF THE REMARKS ABOUT THE TURKISH-CYPRIOTS' VIENNA PERFORMANCE IN COUNSELOR NIMETZ'S TESTIMONY TO CONGRESS AND THAT ACCORDINGLY, U.S. PRESSURE TO HOLD ADDITIONAL MEETINGS MIGHT HAVE A CONTRARY AFFECT ON HIM. WE POINTED OUT THAT THE LIKELIHOOD OF EARLY ELECTIONS HAD BEEN RECOGNIZED AT THE TIME OF THE CLIFFORD VISIT TO ANKARA AND ALL PLANS HAD BEEN MADE ACCORDINGLY. WE ALSO MADE CLEAR THAT THE TURKISH-CYPRIOTS NEEDED TO IMPROVE THEIR PERFORMANCE TO MAINTAIN THEIR STANDING IN THE EYES OF THE WORLD. BATU AT LENGTH SAID THAT HE COULD ONLY REPORT OUR DEMARCHE, BUT COULD PROMISE NO RPT NO IMMEDIATE ACTION BECAUSE OF THE ABSENCE OF THE MFA'S UPPER ECHELON.

4. COMMENT: WE AGREE WITH BATU THAT, IN THE ABSENCE OF THE FONMIN, SEC GEN, DEPUTY SEC GEN FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS, AND BOTH THE DIR GEN AND DIRECTOR FOR CYPRUS-GREEK AFFAIRS, THE MFA IS UNLIKELY TO BE ABLE TO TAKE TIMELY, POSITIVE ACTION ON OUR REQUEST REGARDING CYPRUS TALKS. WE URGE THAT DEPARTMENT FOLLOW UP WITH TURKISH EMBASSY SOONEST. BERGUS

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